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## LAWS OF MARYLAND

MARYLAND---LAW,---LIMIT---BUT--DO--NOT--COMPLETELY--ELIMINATE,--A LANDOWNER'S-LIABILITY.

Signed.....

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1988.

Approved May 27, 1988.

CHAPTER 693

(House Bill 847)

AN ACT concerning

Commercial Law - Mortgages - Required Insurance

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain lenders or credit grantors from requiring a borrower, under as a condition to receiving or maintaining a loan secured by certain mortgages or deeds of trust, to provide or purchase property insurance in excess of the replacement value of the improvement on the real property insured; providing for the determination of the replacement value; defining a certain term; providing for certain penalties; providing that a violation shall not affect the validity of the mortgage or deed of trust securing the loan; providing that certain lenders may not require certain borrowers to purchase property insurance from certain agents, brokers, or insurance companies; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the purchase of property insurance covering real estate securing certain loans.

BY adding to

Article - Commercial Law Section 12-123 Annotated Code of Maryland (1983 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Commercial Law Section 12-312, 12-410, 12-909, and 12-1007 Annotated Code of Maryland (1983 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)